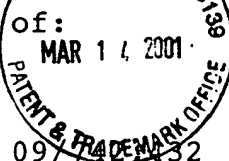


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIDEO TAKIGUCHI ) : Examiner: Not Yet Known  
Application No.: 097/421,32 ) : Group Art Unit: Not Yet Known  
Filed: December 22, 2000 ) :  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING ) :  
APPARATUS, IMAGE ) :  
PROCESSING SYSTEM, IMAGE ) :  
PROCESSING METHOD, AND ) :  
STORAGE MEDIUM ) : March 13, 2001



Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under  
37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under  
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is  
directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
A-T 08/719,716	09/25/96	2721
A-T 09/648,609	08/28/00	2674

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner.

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